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In collaboration with The Montana Post Secondary Educational Opportunities Council, Montana universities will send representatives to seven tribal college events across Montana in February.

"We are very excited to offer this tribal college career-fair circuit in Montana," said Amy Leary, executive director for MPSEOC. "It is our goal to serve hundreds of college students, high school students, nontraditional students, families, guidance counselors and community members with these events."

The college fairs give participants an opportunity to contemplate their higher education and career options. Students can visit with representatives from in-state and out-of-state colleges and universities, technical and trade schools, military branches, agencies and career representatives.

"For some students, the tribal colleges foster an easy conduit to continuing on to a four- year institution," said Emily Ferguson-Steger, assistant director of diversity marketing and recruitment at The University of Montana. "If a student is looking to earn a bachelor's degree, it's important they find a school that provides a solid fit. The fair gives them the opportunity to talk to many institutions without having to travel our massive state."

Each fair will give away a scholarship and door prizes, which will be awarded by a random drawing from the names of people who attend the tribal college fairs.

The free and open-to-the-public events begin Feb. 11. The schedule is as follows:

- **Salish Kootenai College:** 9 a.m. Monday, Feb. 11, Joe McDonald Health and Fitness Center's Gymnasium, 58138 U.S. Highway 93, **Pablo**.
- **Blackfeet Community College:** 11 a.m.-2 p.m., Tuesday, Feb. 12, Student Services Building Beaver Painted Lodge, 504 E. Boundary St., **Browning**.
- **Stone Child College:** 11a.m.-2 p.m., Wednesday, Feb. 13, Stone Child Vo-Tech Center, 8294 Upper Box Elder Rd., **Box Elder**.
- **Aaniiih' Nakoda College:** 9 a.m.-noon, Thursday, Feb. 14, Red Whip Gymnasium, U.S. Highways 2 and 66, **Harlem**.
- **Fort Peck Community College:** 10:30 a.m.-12:30 p.m., Tuesday, Feb.19, GTD Auditorium, 605 Indian Ave., **Poplar**.
- **Chief Dull Knife College:** 12:30-3:30 p.m., Wednesday, Feb. 20, Main Building, 1 College Drive, **Lame Deer**.
- **Little Bighorn College:** 11 a.m.-2 p.m., Thursday, Feb. 21, Sub Lounge, 1 Forestry Lane, **Crow Agency**.

The events are sponsored by the American Indian College Fund, GEAR UP, the Montana University System – Student Financial Services, the College Board/SAT, Montana's seven tribal colleges, MPSEOC and <http://montanacolleges.com/>.

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MISSOULA –

The University Center at The University of Montana invites artists and crafters to display and sell their hand-crafted items during the UC 2013 Spring Art Fair Thursday through Saturday, April 18-20. The fair will be held in the UC Atrium located on the first floor of the University

Center and is open from 9 a.m. to 6 p.m. Thursday and Friday and 10 a.m. to 4 p.m. on Saturday.

The art fair features unique, hand-crafted art from local and regional artists, as well as live music and door prizes. The UC Art Fair is the longest running art fair in western Montana and has a legacy of returning and new artists from campus to around the state and beyond.

All artists and crafters can apply for space at the fair. Applications are available online at <http://www.umt.edu/uc/airtfairs> and can be mailed to the University Center Art Fair at 32 Campus Drive, UC Room 232. A \$10 fee is required.

Tables are available in various sizes, and prices are listed on the application. There is a reduced rate for UM students. Space is limited.

This event is free and open to the public. For more information call Art Fair Coordinator Sarah Beals at 406-243-5622, email ucartfair@mso.umt.edu or visit <http://www.umt.edu/uc/artfairs>.

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MISSOULA –

The School of Music at The University of Montana will perform its “Pianissimo” program at 7:30 p.m. Friday, Feb. 1, in the State Capitol in Helena.

The concert will be televised live across the state by Television Montana (TVMT), which will feed the video to a variety of cable television providers. Those interested in viewing should consult <http://leg.mt.gov/css/Services%20Division/tvmt.asp> for local programming information.

“Pianissimo” will grace the Old Supreme Court Chamber with two matching grand pianos. Twenty faculty, student and community pianists will perform.

“It promises to be a fun-filled, action-packed program,” UM Music Professor Steven Hesla said. “A capacity crowd of 215 people will fill the chamber.”

He said several rebroadcasts are planned for those who miss the live concert.

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MISSOULA –

The definitions of wilderness across landscapes, communities, political frameworks and scientific investigations will be explored in the 2013 Wilderness Issues Lecture Series at The University of Montana.

The series, sponsored by the UM College of Forestry and Conservation Wilderness Institute, will feature speakers who manage large landscapes, live near wilderness areas and study species that roam across political boundaries.

"These lectures will challenge the audience to re-examine their definitions of wilderness," said UM Wilderness Institute Associate Director Natalie Dawson. "The series will encourage people to imagine future wildlands outside the scope of the contemporary frameworks for wilderness management."

The lectures are free and open to the public and will be held on Tuesdays in February and March at 7:10 p.m. in Gallagher Business Building Room 122. The schedule is as follows:

- **Feb. 5:** "On the Edge of Wilderness: Looking Inside While Looking Out," UM wildland recreation management Professor Emeritus Stephen McCool.
- **Feb. 12:** "Montana Legacy Project: Landscape-Scale, Community-Based Conservation," The Nature Conservancy Western Montana Program Director Caroline Byrd.
- **Feb. 26:** "The Force of Wilderness Within the Ubiquity of Cyberspace," UM philosophy Regents Professor Albert Borgmann.
- **March 5:** "Wilderness and Fire: Lessons Learned from 40 Years of Success in the Selway-Bitterroot Wilderness," U.S. Forest Service Bitterroot West Fork District Ranger Dave Campbell.
- **March 12:** "Wild Salmon, Wild Lands: Connections Between Intact Ecosystems and Healthy Salmon Populations in the Snake River Basin," Save Our Wild Salmon Inland Northwest Director Sam Mace.
- **March 19:** "The New Wild," author and journalist Emma Marris.
- **March 26:** "Wilderness, Wildness and Biodiversity: We Need All Three," University of Central Florida Department of Biology Professor Reed Noss.

For more information on the lecture series, call Dawson at 406-243-6956 or email natalie.dawson@umontana.edu. More information about the Wilderness Institute is available online at <http://www.cfc.umt.edu/wi/default.html>.

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MISSOULA –

Award-winning poets and fiction writers are scheduled to deliver readings and lectures at The University of Montana as part of the Creative Writing Program's upcoming Spring Reading Series.

The series will feature poets Ed Skoog, Elizabeth Robinson and Alice Notley, novelist Robert Seidman, the student winner of the Merriam-Frontier Award, a career conference titled "Putting Liberal Arts to Work" and thesis readings by graduating M.F.A. students.

Skoog is the author of two poetry collections: "Mister Skylight" and "Rough Day," and his poems have appeared in several journals and poetry reviews. He has received residencies from The Richard Hugo House, George Washington University and others. He currently coordinates the summer poetry program for the Idyllwild Arts Foundation.

Robinson has written 11 collections of poetry, most recently "Counterpart" and "The Orphan and Its Relations." Her work has appeared in the Colorado Review, Denver Quarterly and New American Quarterly. She co-edits 26 magazine, the EtherDome Chapbook series and Instance Press.

Notley has published more than 30 poetry books, including Lenore Marshall Poetry Prize winner "Grave of Light: New and Selected Poems" and Pulitzer Prize finalist "Mysteries of Small Houses." She has received the Los Angeles Times Book Award for poetry, an Academy Award from the American Academy of Arts and Letters and the Shelley Memorial Award from the Poetry Society of America. Active in the New York poetry scene of the 1970s, Notley often is identified with the second generation of New York School poets.

Seidman is the author of four books, including "Moments Captured," which is loosely based on the life of Eadweard Muybridge, the photographer whose trotting horse images led to the invention of the motion picture projector in 1879. Seidman's documentary "Billy Strayhorn: Lush Life," about the gifted composer and arranger, aired nationally on the Public Broadcasting Service in 2007 and won the Writers' Guild Award for Best Documentary Script, a George Foster Peabody Award and an Emmy Award for Best Documentary.

The Merriam-Frontier Award is open to UM undergraduate and graduate students during autumn semester. The award was established by H.G. Merriam, UM professor of English and creative writing from 1919 to 1954, and consists of a \$500 prize and publication of the winning entry as a chapbook.

"Putting Liberal Arts to Work" is a career conference for writers, readers and thinkers. The conference will feature an assortment of panels on career choices for liberal arts students and a keynote address.

All Spring Reading Series events are free and open to the public.

The schedule of events is:

- **Friday, Feb. 8:** Ed Skoog poetry reading, 7 p.m., Turner Hall Dell Brown Room.
- **Friday, Feb. 22:** Merriam-Frontier Award Reception and Reading, 4 p.m., Poetry Corner of the Mansfield Library, fifth floor.
- **Friday, March 1:** Robert Seidman fiction reading, 7 p.m., Turner Hall Dell Brown Room.
- **Friday, March 15:** "Putting Liberal Arts to Work" conference, 1-5 p.m., University Center, third floor.
- **Friday, March 22:** Elizabeth Robinson poetry reading, 7 p.m., Turner Hall Dell Brown Room.
- **Friday, April 12:** Alice Notley poetry craft lecture: "Alette Update: 2013," 12:10-1 p.m., McGill Hall Room 210.
- **Friday, April 12:** Alice Notley poetry reading, 7 p.m., Turner Hall Dell Brown Room.
- **Friday, April 19-Sunday, May 5:** M.F.A. student thesis readings. Times and locations will be listed on the Creative Writing Program website at http://www.cas.umt.edu/english/creative_writing/.

Each semester the UM Creative Writing Program presents literary events and readings for the students and faculty of the University and the Missoula community in general. The Spring Reading Series is sponsored by the Creative Writing Program, the President's Writers-in-Residence Series, the Office of the Provost and the Mansfield Library.

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MISSOULA –

President Royce Engstrom announced Jan. 30 that an alumnus and his wife have committed \$1.25 million to The University of Montana's School of Business Administration and College of Arts and Sciences.

Tim O'Leary and Michelle Cardinal of Carson, Wash., have included a provision in their wills that will fund endowments at the School of Business Administration for a faculty fellowship and marketing analytics courses. Endowments also will create scholarships in the College of Arts and Sciences Creative Writing Program and will support UM's CutBank Literary Magazine.

"The Department of Management and Marketing in the School of Business Administration plays a pivotal role in moving Montana forward, while the Creative Writing Program attracts talent from around the world," Engstrom said. "Through the generosity of Tim O'Leary and Michelle Cardinal, two of our premier programs are about to get even better."

The \$1.25 million dollar gift will endow the following in the School of Business Administration and the Creative Writing Program:

- **The Mary Ellen Campbell and Dennis O'Donnell Faculty Fellowship in Business.** With this portion of the gift, \$250,000 will be placed in an endowment to fund a faculty fellowship honoring two of O'Leary's favorite faculty members.
- **The O'Leary/Cardinal Endowed Opportunity Fund for Marketing Analytics.** This will be funded with \$750,000.
- **The Tim O'Leary and Michelle Cardinal Prose Scholarship in Creative Writing.** Creative writing students will benefit from this \$125,000 endowment.
- **The Tim O'Leary and Michelle Cardinal Opportunity Fund for the CutBank Literary Magazine.** This will be funded with \$125,000.



The University is home to the state's sole Master of Business Administration program. Graduates complete their course of study with a strong foundation in marketing knowledge. This semester, the business school launched a new course in marketing analytics with support from O'Leary and Cardinal.

Additionally, the couple has supported the Creative Writing Program for many years. One of Montana's favorite literary sons, William Kittredge, founded its CutBank literary magazine 40 years ago. Today, writers from around the nation submit to the publication.

O'Leary said that while he focused on a foundation in business, graduating with a degree in 1981, he also found great passion for creativity in the Creative Writing Program.

"I was never acclimated to getting a classical business education, and I was always interested in the intersection of business and creative pursuits," O'Leary said. "Because of the tremendous faculty and environment of the University, I was able to create my own educational track whereby today I am able to sit down and analyze a financial statement and understand organizational structure, but I also can write."

O'Leary served on the business school's Department of Management and Marketing Advisory Board for several years. He also served the University as a whole as a regional committee member during the "Invest in Discovery" campaign. Since 2009, O'Leary has served on the UM Foundation board of trustees and now is in his second three-year term. He chairs the Foundation's Marketing and Communications Committee and is a member of the executive committee.

"Tim graduated from the School of Business Administration and quickly made a name for himself as a savvy entrepreneur," business school Dean Larry Gianchetta said. "For 10 years, the School of Business Administration has awarded the O'Leary/Cardinal Family Scholarship to students interested in advertising and marketing. Today Tim and his wife, Michelle, continue their legacy of giving."

Splitting their time between homes in Washington and Santa Barbara, Calif., the couple raises olive trees in California and trout in Washington. Additionally, O'Leary is an

avid fly-fisherman and water conservationist who also sits on The Freshwater Trust board of directors.

“Tim O’Leary and Michelle Cardinal are a force for good,” said College of Arts and Sciences Dean Chris Comer. “As business partners, they lead R2C Group, an advertising agency based in Portland. As an alumnus and friend of the University, they are ensuring that Montana’s entrepreneurial and creative spirits soar in our students.

“It is truly a story of coming full circle, and we are grateful for the sincere dedication of Tim and Michelle, and the legacy that they will leave to UM in the future,” Comer said.

“My experience at The University of Montana was the springboard into my professional career, which has been so gratifying,” said O’Leary, who grew up in Billings. “It is almost a better experience to come back to the place where it all began. I have a better appreciation for how the faculty cares, and how the institution cares. I have been incredibly fortunate.”

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MISSOULA –

University of Montana Associate Professor Ashley McKeown will draw on skeletal biology and archaeology research to shed light on life and death in the early settlement of Jamestown, Va., in a UM Provost's Distinguished Faculty Lecture on Thursday, Feb. 7.

McKeown, who teaches in the UM Department of Anthropology, will deliver her lecture "Skeleton Keys: Unlocking Jamestown's Mysteries with Forensic Osteology and Bioarchaeology" at 6 p.m. in the University Center Theater. The lecture is free and open to the public. A reception with refreshments will follow.

McKeown's research on early 17th-century burials at Jamestown is part of the Smithsonian Institution exhibit "Written in Bone: Forensic Files of the 17th-Century Chesapeake." She held postdoctoral fellowships with the Jamestown Rediscovery Archaeological Project, the Virginia Institute of Forensic Science and Medicine and the Smithsonian's National Museum of Natural History. She also serves as a forensic anthropologist for Montana, assisting the State Crime lab and law enforcement with the recovery and analysis of human remains.

For more information call the UM Office of the Provost at 406-243-4689 or email officeoftheprovost@umontana.edu.

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MISSOULA –

University of Montana President Royce Engstrom will deliver a mid-year report on the state of the University at 4 p.m. Wednesday, Feb. 6, in the University Center Theater on campus.

Engstrom will offer updates on major University initiatives, the current Montana legislative session and campus/community quality of life. Questions will be taken from the audience on these and other topics.

The event, which is scheduled from 4 to 6 p.m., is free and open to the public and UM faculty, staff and students are encouraged to attend.

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MISSOULA –

Ventriloquist Jeff Dunham will perform his “Disorderly Conduct” stand-up comedy show at 7:30 p.m. Thursday, April 25, at The University of Montana Adams Center. Doors for the show will open at 6:30 p.m.

Dunham performs with puppet sidekicks Walter the Grumpy Retiree, Achmed the Dead Terrorist, Bubba J, Peanut, Jose Jalapeno and more. He has recorded five Comedy Central specials, including “Controlled Chaos,” which premiered to an audience of 8.3 million viewers. Dunham is ranked as one of the top comedy performers in North America and has been on Forbes magazine’s “Celebrity 100” list of entertainers for the past four years.

Tickets will cost \$45.50 plus fees. Presale tickets will be available from 10 a.m. to 10 p.m. Thursday, Jan. 31, at <http://www.griztix.com> with the password “Walter.” Regular ticket sales begin Friday, Feb. 1. They are available for purchase at all GrizTix locations, the Adams Center Box Office, by phone at 406-243-4051 or online.

For more information call UM Productions Marketing Coordinator Zoe Donovan at 406-243-4719 or email marketing@umproductions.org.

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MISSOULA –

The University of Montana has hired Paulo Zagalo-Melo as the new director of the Office of International Programs. Zagalo-Melo will begin his new duties at UM in April.

Zagalo-Melo currently is the director of the Luso-American Foundation in Lisbon, Portugal. Prior to joining the foundation in 2006, he served as the executive director of the Fulbright Commission in Portugal for a decade. He earned a bachelor's in business administration from the Higher Institute of Languages and Administration in Lisbon, a master's of public administration from Harvard University and a doctorate in political science from the Catholic University of Portugal.

"It is a great privilege and honor to have been selected to join UM's Office of International Programs," Zagalo-Melo said. "It is the nature of universities to be international, and UM's leadership is well aware of this. UM plays an important role in promoting global changes by fostering knowledge creation and promoting mutual understanding, and I am delighted to take part in this exciting process."

The OIP works to promote and support international education, research, scholarship, training and projects that serve the UM community.

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MISSOULA –

The University of Montana’s Natural Resources Conflict Resolution Program is featured in the January issue of High Country News. The annual “natural resource education” issue of the regional magazine features some of the best programs that are inspiring and training future leaders. UM’s Natural Resources Conflict Resolution Program was featured on page 18.

To read the full article online, visit <http://bit.ly/VIYc9T>.

“This is a terrific affirmation of the University’s commitment to a unique graduate program,” said Matthew McKinney, founder and chair of the program. “The NRCR program regularly attracts students from 15 different departments and includes faculty and deans from UM’s College of Forestry and Conservation, College of Arts and Sciences, School of Business Administration and School of Law.”

The program was created in 2006 and has conferred more than 60 graduate certificates in natural resource conflict resolution. Graduates have gone on to leadership positions in conservation organizations, government agencies, private businesses and the practice of law.

John Senn, deputy communications director at U.S. Environmental Protection Agency, was one of the first graduates from the program.

“The NRCR program gave me the unique and invaluable opportunity to work on critical real-world natural resource and environmental public policy issues, often times directly with stakeholders and decision-makers,” Senn said. “NRCR faculty are tremendously dedicated to ensuring each student in the program is able to hone skills and identify opportunities related to their particular interests or field of study.”

“The NRCR program’s focus on critical thinking and negotiation skills provided me with the professional tools I needed to succeed after graduate school,” said Shoren Brown, Bristol Bay campaign director for Trout Unlimited and a 2007 graduate of the program. “Anyone interested in participating in contemporary policy debates should take a hard look at UM’s Natural Resources Conflict Resolution Program.”

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MISSOULA –

The University of Montana Office for Civic Engagement will host the biannual Spring Volunteer Fair on Monday, Feb. 4, and Tuesday, Feb. 5. The fair will take place from 10 a.m. to 2 p.m. in the University Center Atrium on both days.

Students and community members can learn about numerous volunteer opportunities available in the Missoula area from nearly 30 community agencies, which will have the chance to recruit new volunteers.

Every year at the beginning of the fall and spring semester, the UM's Office for Civic Engagement coordinates a volunteer fair to connect interested students, UM faculty and staff, and other members of the community with volunteer opportunities in the Missoula area. The fair helps nonprofit agencies promote their activities and recruit new members in order to meet community-identified needs.

The Office for Civic Engagement also will provide information about several of its programs. This year the volunteer fair will include a service-learning resource room where community agencies can connect with UM's service-learning faculty.

The Office for Civic Engagement is a department of the Davidson Honors College. It was founded as Volunteer Action Services at UM in 1992 and serves as the University's primary agent of community activism and civic responsibility.

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MISSOULA –

Bitterroot College of The University of Montana is teaming up with Ravalli County Economic Development Authority to offer a four-part course on small business and formal business planning.

The course, Small Business Venture Training, is taught by small-business professionals. Cynthia Rademacher of CMR Marketing Strategies, attorney Dick Weber and certified public accountant Lisa Glenn will teach marketing, business law and financial management, respectively. Small Business Venture Training will replace RCEDA's Basic Business course.

Each section of the course is comprised of five three-hour classes. The first three sections of the course are held on consecutive Thursdays from 9 a.m to noon at Bitterroot College in Hamilton. The first section is an introduction to small business planning and entrepreneurship beginning Feb. 7. The second section addressing marketing small businesses starts March 21, and the third section on accounting and finance in small business begins May 2. The final part of the course is a week of labs where students will use Business Plan Pro software, the industry standard, to create business plans.

Continuing education units are available for this course.

For more information contact Bitterroot College Director Victoria Clark at 406-375-0100 or email victoria.clark@umontana.edu, or call John Schneeberger, economic development specialist, Ravalli County Economic Development Authority, at 406-375-9416 ext. 2 or email john@rceda.org.

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UM NEWS



January 28, 2013

MISSOULA –

The University Center will host a Griz Lead Emerging Leaders Program workshop titled "Conflict and Team Dynamic" from 6 to 8 p.m. Thursday, Feb. 21, in University Center Room 330. The event is the first free Griz Lead workshop of the semester.

The Griz Lead Emerging Leaders Program prepares students for leadership on campus and in the community by offering free workshops, leadership programs, resources and experiences. The program is designed to build confidence, increase self-awareness and help students develop and reach their vision, passion and goals.

The "Conflict and Team Dynamic" workshop will focus on the time when a group has passed the honeymoon phase and members begin to disagree. The workshop will provide information on how to get through a conflict in a healthy and productive way and will address how to maintain a consistent team dynamic while building rapport and open communication.

For more information call Maureen Ward, UM Fraternity and Sorority Involvement assistant director, at 406-243-2005 or email maureen.ward@mso.umt.edu; or call Julie DeSoto, UC Student Involvement Network student coordinator, at 406-243-5622 or email julie.desoto@mso.umt.edu. More information on Griz Lead is available online at <http://life.umt.edu/uc/ucsi/SIN/leadership/default.php>.

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UM NEWS



January 24, 2013

MISSOULA –

The Missoula Area Central Labor Council will present the 8th annual Missoula Labor Film Festival on Friday and Saturday, Feb. 1-2, at the Roxy Theater, located at 718 S. Higgins Ave. The event showcases documentary films on the topic of workers, unions and the history of the labor movement.

The schedule of films is:

- **7 p.m. Friday:** “Manufactured Landscapes,” a feature-length documentary on the world and work of renowned artist Edward Burtynsky. Internationally acclaimed for his large-scale photographs of manufactured landscapes – quarries, recycling yards, factories, mines and dams – Burtynsky creates art from civilization’s materials and debris.
- **6 p.m. Saturday:** “American Teacher,” a documentary that tells the story of the 3.2 million teachers who spend every day in classrooms across the country. The film is narrated by Matt Damon and based on The New York Times bestseller “Teachers Have it Easy: The Big Sacrifices and Small Salaries of America’s Teachers.”
- **8:15 p.m. Saturday:** Woody Guthrie-tribute singer Scott Hohnstein of The Workers will perform songs of labor and love in honor of Guthrie’s 100th birthday.
- **8:40 p.m. Saturday:** “Roll on Columbia: Woody Guthrie and the Bonneville Power Administration,” this documentary traces Guthrie’s time writing songs for the U.S. Department of the Interior’s Bonneville Power Administration on the Columbia River.

There is a recommended donation of \$5 for one night and \$9 for both. The festival is co-sponsored by The University of Montana unions: the University Faculty Association and the Montana Public Employees Association.

For more information call Missoula Area Central Labor Council Trustee Clare Kelly at 406-529-3875 or email jouisns@gmail.com.

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UM NEWS



January 24, 2013

MISSOULA –

Montana public television and radio stations will broadcast live, anchored coverage of Montana Gov. Steve Bullock's State of the State Address and the Republican Response beginning at 7 p.m. Wednesday, Jan. 30.

The coverage, originating from the House Chambers of the State Capitol in Helena, will be available on MontanaPBS, Montana Public Radio and Yellowstone Public Radio. It also will be streamed live at <http://www.montanapublicmedia.org/>.

The Montana Constitution (Article 6, Section 9) requires the governor to "give the Legislature information and recommend measures he considers necessary." The State of the State Address is the traditional method used by the administration to lay out its priorities and goals for the legislative session.

The governor's address will be followed by a response from Republican leadership. Both Montana Public Radio and MontanaPBS will provide analysis of the governor's speech and the Republican response.

Bullock, a democrat, was elected in November to replace former Gov. Brian Schweitzer, also a democrat. Schweitzer served as governor since 2005.

For more information on the anchored coverage, call William Marcus, director for The University of Montana Broadcast Media Center, at 406-243-4154 or email william.marcus@umontna.edu. People also can call Aaron Pruitt, director of content for MontanaPBS at Montana State University, at 406-994-5021 or email aaron_pruitt@montanapbs.org.

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UM NEWS



January 24, 2013

MISSOULA –

The Missoula Maulers minor league hockey team invites all University of Montana students, faculty and staff to an evening of free hockey as the Maulers host the Bozeman Icedogs on Thursday, Jan. 31.

The puck drops at 7:30 p.m. at the Glacier Ice Rink, located at the Missoula County Fairgrounds. UM students, faculty and staff who present their Griz Card at the gate will be admitted free of charge.

The Maulers compete in the America West Hockey League, which includes teams from throughout Montana and Wyoming.

For more information call the Maulers information line at 406-830-3264 or go online to <http://www.missoulamaulers.com>.

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UM NEWS



January 23, 2013

MISSOULA –

New this year, the Associated Students of The University of Montana Office of Transportation are providing campus cyclists with two manual air pumps, which have been installed outside the University Center.

One is mounted on the bike racks outside the west entrance. The other is mounted on the bike racks outside the UM Bookstore entrance, near the yellow Cruiser Co-op bikes.

These pumps replace an old compressor pump that was located at the Bike Hub in the parking garage. The compressor continually broke down, and the location was out of the way for most students. The new pumps are designed to endure heavy use and are placed in easier-to-access locations.

ASUM Office of Transportation encourages bicyclists to use Missoula's plowed trails and practice safe winter riding by following these tips:

- Use fenders,
- Always use lights when riding at night,
- Consider using studded tires,
- Keep your chain well-lubed,
- Wear a helmet,
- Don't lean into turns,
- Dress warmly and wear gloves.

ASUM bus service runs when classes are in session and will return at the start of spring semester on Jan. 28. Routes and schedules will be the same as autumn semester 2012. The former COT Shuttle is now known as the Missoula College Shuttle, reflecting the college's new name.

Daytime routes run every 10-15 minutes between 7:25 a.m. and 7 p.m. depending on route. Nighttime service runs from 7 p.m. to midnight Monday-Wednesday and 7 p.m. to 2:25 a.m. Thursday-Saturday. There is no bus service on Sunday.

Missoula's citywide bus system, Mountain Line, runs three routes to campus: Route 1 (BOLT) runs every 15 minutes from Southgate Mall, UM and downtown; Route 8 runs between Community Hospital and UM via Fifth and Sixth streets; and Route 12 runs between the South Hills, Lewis and Clark, UM and downtown. All griz-card holders ride the Mountain Line buses for free by showing their card.

For more information on biking, walking, busing or carpooling to UM, visit the ASUM Office located in University Center Suite 105, call Benjamin Courteau, director of ASUM's Office of Transportation, at 406-243-4599 or email benjamin.courteau@mso.umt.edu.

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January 23, 2013

MISSOULA –

He was arguably the greatest statesman in Montana history, and now The University of Montana has created an online exhibit to highlight the many accomplishments of Mike Mansfield.

The new exhibit is online at <http://exhibits.lib.umt.edu/mansfield>.

A Butte miner and UM graduate, Mansfield served Montana in the U.S. Congress from 1942 to 1977. He was the longest-serving Senate majority leader and also held the post of U.S. Ambassador to Japan for 12 years. He died in 2001.

The exhibit was created by staffers at UM organizations that bear the Mansfield name: the Maureen and Mike Mansfield Library and the Maureen and Mike Mansfield Center.

"The goal of this exhibition is to highlight Mansfield's impact as a responsible decision-maker and an ethical leader in both domestic and foreign policy," UM Archivist Donna McCrea said. "Mansfield's particular brand of statesmanship seems especially rare these days. He deserves to be remembered."

The digital exhibit consists of Mansfield speeches, statements and interviews. They span his career as a candidate, legislator and ambassador. Documents date from 1939 to 1988, with the majority of content from the 1940s to the '70s.

"Mansfield was widely recognized for his integrity and his moral authority in public life," said Deena Mansour, associate director of the Mansfield Center. "His life is an extraordinary reminder of how we can work together for the common good. We appreciate the outstanding efforts of the library staff to make Mansfield's lifework on such critical areas as civil rights, Watergate and the Vietnam War more accessible to the public."

She said the center funding was made possible by a congressionally appropriated grant administered by the U.S. Department of Education, but that does not imply endorsement of specific exhibit materials by the federal government.

More than 1,500 files were digitized and are keyword searchable. The digitized files were drawn from the Mike Mansfield Papers, an archival collection held by UM Archives and Special Collections. Altogether the Mansfield Papers consist of more than 4,500 boxes of files and photographs.

Another element of the online exhibit is eight essays and scans of relevant documents from the Mansfield Papers.

"What is available online is just a fraction of what is available at the archives," McCrea said. "One goal of the essays is to encourage further research into these topics and into the work of Mansfield himself. Because there is so much more that could and should be written about Mansfield's legacy."

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January 23, 2013

MISSOULA –

University of Montana junior and Special Olympics Montana board member Samantha McLeod currently is helping to organize the Super Grizzly Dip, which is slated for 11:45 a.m. Saturday, Feb. 2, in the Schreiber Gym parking lot on the UM campus.

In partnership with the Law Enforcement Torch Run, the annual Super Grizzly Dip generates thousands of dollars for local programs. Participants help raise funds by taking a dip into the freezing waters of a plunge tank.

Registration will take place between 10 and 11:45 a.m. in the Schreiber Gym. At 11:45 a.m., a pre-plunge party will kickoff and the Super Grizzly Dip will take place at noon.

McLeod, from Great Falls, is majoring in social work and minoring in psychology. She has volunteered with Special Olympics Montana since she was a sophomore in high school and now serves on the Special Olympics National Youth Activation Committee. The committee is comprised of 18 youth leaders from across the U.S. who work together to promote school communities where all young people are agents of change.

"During high school I was looking for a volunteer opportunity and heard about Special Olympics," McLeod said. "I absolutely fell in love, and since then Special Olympics has become a passion of mine. I'm involved locally and nationally, as well."

During the summer of 2012, McLeod was chosen as one of six youths to complete an eight-week internship at Special Olympics, Inc. headquarters in Washington, D.C. She is currently working as committee co-chair for a Special Olympics North America national conference that will host more than 150 youth leaders from around North America.

"As a student in UM's School of Social Work, I'm learning how to focus on people's strengths to really bring out the best in them," McLeod said. "These skills have really helped me in volunteering for Special Olympics and have helped me grow, as well."

McLeod is the daughter of Ruth and Stephen Johns and William McLeod, also of Great Falls. Upon graduation from UM, she hopes to work with children with intellectual disabilities.

Special Olympics Montana is a 43-year-old movement that enables children and adults with intellectual disabilities to train for life through sports. As an athlete-centered, family-based and volunteer-driven organization, Special Olympics Montana relies almost exclusively on the support of community volunteers, businesses and service organizations for leadership, planning and preparation, in-kind and financial gifts.

For more information on Special Olympics Montana email LeAnn Dolly-Powell, outreach director for Special Olympics Montana, at lpowell@somt.org or call SOMT headquarters at 1-800-242-6876.

For more information on the Super Grizzly Dip, call McLeod at 406-231-6805, email samanthajomcleod@hotmail.com or visit McLeod and other volunteers at an information table on Tuesday, Jan. 29, and on Friday, Feb. 1, in the University Center Atrium at UM.

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January 22, 2013

MISSOULA –

Thesis exhibitions by three fine arts graduate students will be held Jan. 31-Feb. 14 in the Gallery of Visual Arts at The University of Montana.

The works are by Joshua Eck, Brett Hargesheimer and Suzanne Lussier. An opening reception for their exhibits will be held from 5 to 7 p.m. Thursday, Jan. 31, at the gallery on the first floor of the Social Science Building. All events and exhibitions are free and open to the public.

Eck’s exhibition of paintings and drawings, “pseudo_op,” offers a theoretical framework or a system model to examine technological processes. The artist transcribes his understanding of these processes and structures into a visual presence. In this body of work, Eck questions our role within this system and our relationship with technology.

In “Color/Shape/Form/Space,” Hargesheimer uses painting with bold color and pattern to reclaim the primacy of the formal elements of visual communication. These works blend a variety of sources and ideas that connect design, craft and fine art. Fundamental importance is placed on composition, color and spatial integration to express the immediacy and streamlined efficiency of communication that people desire as contemporary human beings.

“Galore” by Lussier exhibits animal sculptures – often life-sized – using a variety of media, including paper clay, fiberglass, concrete-based adobe, fabric and other materials. The installation of these objects creates a circus-like environment that serves as a metaphor to narrate her story. Viewers are forced to examine their own relationship to the narrative through a hall of mirrors and are drawn into the exhibit through the lifelike, familiar and yet expressive and dramatic three-dimensional snapshots of her animal forms.

The Gallery of Visual Arts is open 11 a.m. to 5 p.m. Tuesday, Wednesday and Friday and 11 a.m. to 6 p.m. Thursday. Mondays are available by appointment only.

More information about the UM School of Art is online at <http://www.umt.edu/art>.

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January 22, 2013

MISSOULA –

Phil Cowdell, president of R2C Group and former chairman of Mindshare North America, will be at The University of Montana on Wednesday, Jan. 30, to present the Harold and Priscilla Gilkey Executive Lecture.

Cowdell will present, “Changing the Game: Reinvention and Opportunity in Marketing” from 6 to 7 p.m. in Gallagher Business Building Room 106. The event is free and open to the public.

Cowdell’s experience spans large and small media agencies worldwide. As chairman and former CEO of Mindshare North America, he oversaw 950 employees and \$8.6 billion in billing. MediaWeek Magazine honored Cowdell as the 2010 Media Executive of the Year after helping Mindshare garner \$2 billion in new business in less than two years. During his tenure at Mindshare, he worked with clients such as Unilever, Kimberly-Clark, IBM, Cisco, Ford, Land Rover, Amex, HSBC, Farmers Insurance, CVS, RadioShack, Abbott Laboratories and numerous other well-known brands.

Cowdell was named president of R2C Group, America’s largest independent direct response agency, which is headquartered in Portland, Ore., in January 2012. In that role, he leads all R2C Group companies including Respond2, Cmedia, R2Ci, MMSI, Production West and the NOW Networks. UM alumnus Tim O’Leary ’81 cofounded R2C Group.

The UM lecture series was established by Harold and Priscilla Gilkey in 2004 to provide resources for UM’s School of Business Administration to host the nation’s top business leaders to share their knowledge, expertise and experiences with students, faculty members and the community.

For more information visit <http://www.business.umt.edu/seminar>, call Chris Dundon at 406-243-4569 or email chris.dundon@mso.umt.edu.

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January 18, 2013

MISSOULA –

The University of Montana Wilderness Institute is now accepting proposals for grants to support historical research, creative writing and wilderness studies projects that explore Montana’s land and people.

The grants range from \$400 to \$1,000 and are awarded through the University’s Matthew Hansen Endowment, which was established in 1984 as a memorial to Hansen and his ideals.

The deadline to submit proposals is March 1. Awards will be announced in April.

Projects should encourage mindful stewardship of the land and contribute to the preservation of Montana’s heritage. Proposals from individuals will take precedence over those from institutions. The endowment committee recommends projects that can be completed in one year.

Hanson graduated with honors from UM with a degree in history in 1984. While at UM he completed the Wilderness and Civilization program and researched and wrote about the Metis and their settlement on the South Fork of the Teton River. After graduation, he worked for the Montana Historical Society collecting oral histories from around the state. He also worked as a backcountry packer for Smoke Elser in the Bob Marshall Wilderness. He died of cancer in 1984 at the age of 23, and his family set up the endowment so that students could pursue studies in his interests. Hansen was the son of the late Missoula poet and teacher Ripley Schemm Hugo and the stepson of the late poet Richard Hugo.

For more information or instructions on how to apply, call the Wilderness Institute at 406-243-5361, e-mail mwi@cfc.umt.edu or visit <http://www.cfc.umt.edu/wi>.

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January 18, 2013

MISSOULA –

The Nonprofit Leadership Student Association, The University of Montana's campus affiliate to the nationally run Nonprofit Leadership Alliance, placed third in a poster presentation contest at the 2013 Alliance Management/Leadership Institute, which was held Jan. 2-5 in Atlanta.

The NLSA team, made up of 10 UM undergraduate and graduate students, earned its award in the Best Practices category for its presentation of a poster titled "Local Application of the AMI Case Study." This marks the first time the UM organization has ever placed in the AMI poster presentation.

UM was one of roughly 40 schools from across the country to enter the AMI poster contest. The four-day conference drew a record 640 students to the Marriott Marquis in Atlanta. Members of the Nonprofit Leadership Student Association raised funds to attend the event.

The Nonprofit Leadership Alliance is a national credential program designed to prepare and certify future nonprofit professionals.

For more information call NLSA members Colleen Asby at 406-214-4620 or Nick Lockridge at 406-546-8211, or email umt.nlsa@gmail.com.

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UM NEWS

January 18, 2013

MISSOULA –

Author and sustainable-farming expert Anna Lappe will deliver a lecture titled “Sustainability, Sustenance and Social Change: How Sustainable Food and Farming Can Nourish the World and Transform Communities” at 8 p.m. Monday, Feb. 4, in the George and Jane Dennison Theatre as part of The University of Montana President’s Lecture Series.

Lappe also will deliver an afternoon seminar in conjunction with the UM Philosophy Forum titled “Eat the Sky: Connecting the Dots between Climate, Food and the Future of Farming,” from 3:10 to 4:30 p.m. earlier the same day in Gallagher Business Building Room 123.

During the past decade, Lappe has been a fierce critic of industrial agriculture for making people sicker, fatter and poorer. She has built an international reputation through books, online videos and lectures as a leading expert on sustainable food and agricultural policies.

Her books include “Hope’s Edge: The Next Diet for a Small Planet,” “Grub: Ideas for an Urban Organic Kitchen” and “Diet for a Hot Planet: The Climate Crisis at the End of Your Fork and What You Can Do About It.” Her opinion editorials have appeared in publications such as The Washington Post and The Los Angeles Times and she has been a consulting editor to The Nation magazine. In 2002, Lappe co-founded the Small Planet Institute and Small Planet Fund to support grassroots anti-hunger efforts in the U.S. and abroad.

The President’s Lecture Series consists of 10 talks on vital topics by distinguished guest speakers throughout the academic year. Lappe’s lecture is the annual Brennan Guth Memorial Lecture on Environmental Philosophy. For more information on the President’s Lecture Series, visit <http://umt.edu/president/events/lectures/> or call UM history Professor Richard Drake at 406-243-2981.

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UM NEWS



January 18, 2013

MISSOULA –

University of Montana senior Justin Trifiro received a \$5,000 Benjamin A. Gilman International Scholarship to study abroad in Russia for spring semester. Trifiro, a graduate of Wethersfield High School in **Wethersfield, Ct.**, will spend four months studying at Saint Petersburg State University through the School of Russian and Asian Studies.

Trifiro majors in Russian language in the UM Department of Modern and Classical Languages and Literatures. Last year, he received a bronze medal for his essay in the non-heritage learners, level-two American Council of Teachers of Russian National Post-Secondary Russian Essay Contest. Trifiro only had an hour to write an original essay with no dictionary on the topic “What is a friend?” He wrote a creative essay about going back in time to interact with Russian poets, a nod to the roots of his interest in studying the language and literature.

“I got into Russian on sort of a whim,” Trifiro said. “I read ‘Anna Karenina’ by Tolstoy in translation years ago and I got bit by the Russian bug.”

UM Russian Professor Ona Renner-Fahey and Assistant Professor Clint Walker recognized Trifiro’s talent and encouraged him to apply for the Gilman Scholarship. He had to write a few essays and come up with a project proposal. Aside from studying fourth-year Russian, cinema, literature and Russian mass media, Trifiro will check out music venues in Saint Petersburg – primarily jazz – and interview musicians to write a paper when he returns to the U.S.

He has applied to doctorate-track programs in the U.S., and hopes to hear where his future will take him this spring. Aside from writing his music essay, Trifiro will give back to the Gilman Scholarship Program when he returns by speaking to high school students about the opportunities to study abroad with the scholarship.

The scholarship program offers awards for undergraduate study abroad and was established by the International Academic Opportunity Act of 2000. U.S. undergraduate students who are receiving Federal Pell Grant funding at a two-year or four-year college or university are eligible to apply for funding to participate in study abroad programs worldwide.

Trifiro will begin his semester abroad on Feb. 1. His parents are Robert and Lisa Trifiro of Cromwell, Ct.

For more information call Walker at 406-243-2501 or email clint.walker@mso.umt.edu.

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January 17, 2013

MISSOULA –

The Western Montana Area Health Education Center at The University of Montana will host Montana high school sophomores and juniors interested in health care careers for MedStart, a free, one-week summer camp at UM Sunday through Friday, June 23-28.

MedStart activities will include job shadowing at local health care facilities, health science symposiums and tours, animal organ dissections and guest speakers on many health care topics, as well as exposure to campus life and financial aid guidance. Many social events also will be held.

Area Health Education Centers statewide will select 104 students to participate based on their potential interest in pursuing a health care career after high school; their low-income, minority or economically disadvantaged background; coming from a rural or urban underserved area or community; and/or being the first in their family to attend college. Camps also will be hosted at campuses in **Billings, Bozeman** and **Great Falls**.

Applications are available now at <http://www.wmtahec.org>. Students can rank their choice of campus on their application. Camps will be held June 16-21 at Montana State University in Bozeman and June 23-28 at Montana State University-Billings and the University of Great Falls.

For more information call Western Montana AHEC K-12 Program Coordinator Martha Robertson at 406-243-4746 or email martha.robertson@mso.umt.edu.

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January 17, 2013

MISSOULA –

University of Montana journalism students are getting hands-on experience in the School of Journalism's play-by-play sports announcing class. The three-credit class gives students studying all disciplines of journalism the opportunity to come together to learn the art of sports announcing.

By the end of the three-week Wintersession class, the students will have fanned out to announce 30 basketball games for high schools and UM. They're learning radio and television announcing techniques from Adjunct Professor and Broadcast Media Center Producer/Director John Twiggs.

Twiggs also invited guest speakers into the classroom, including long-time local sports announcers Mick Holien and Bill Schwanke, to pass on preparation and organization tips from the field, including best-practices on how to record game statistics.

"The course is very hands-on," Twiggs said. "The students are jumping in and learning by doing. The experts volunteered to help out students by passing on the tips they've learned over years of sports announcing."

During this experimental course, the students each gain practical experience as a play-by-play, color commentator and producer for a project. Twiggs collaborated with UM's Sports Information office and Griz Vision to find opportunities for students to do a live audio and video recording during a UM game to simulate a television broadcast.

Fifteen students are taking the Wintersession course, and according to Twiggs, there is discussion of continuing the course in the future.

For more information call Twiggs at 406-243-4565 or email john.twiggs@umontana.edu. Follow the play-by-play students on Twitter @RTV395sports.

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January 16, 2013

MISSOULA –

This year marks the 10th anniversary of The University of Montana's Improving Health Among Rural Montanans, or IPHARM, program. IPHARM is a traveling health-screening program designed to provide wellness checks to those who are unable to access health care while providing health professions students with interdisciplinary experience in screening and counseling patients.

At an IPHARM screening, UM health professions students administer tests including bone density, hemoglobin A1c (average blood sugar), cholesterol, blood pressure and balance assessment. Recently added screenings include tests for memory and mood. The screening and counseling are provided at a low cost.

The results of the screenings are reviewed with patients immediately. Students counsel patients on diet, exercise and maintaining a healthy lifestyle. Students are supervised by a pharmacist and UM faculty. Some patients are referred to a health care provider for further testing and follow-up.

"IPHARM is a great program; it allows us as students to practice and improve our clinical skills, and it gives patients basic access to health care," said Jatin Gandhi, UM pharmacy doctoral candidate. "Patients also get to spend time with us as health care professionals, asking general health questions that they may not be able to ask at a doctor appointment – everyone benefits."

"IPHARM is a great interdisciplinary experience for students, faculty and the community," said Rachael Zins, IPHARM clinical pharmacist. "Identifying health risks and early intervention are important in maintaining health as we age.

"It is really exciting that we can take students into rural communities and have them practice the skills and techniques they will need in their careers. Some students go on to practice in communities where they have participated in screenings."

IPHARM is a partnership between the UM Skaggs School of Pharmacy and the Montana Geriatric Education Center. The program was established in 2002 through the efforts of Tim Stratton and Robert Williams, UM pharmacy practice faculty members. Since 2003, UM pharmacy practice faculty member Donna Beall has coordinated the IPHARM project.

IPHARM travels to sites across Montana. Upcoming screening events are scheduled for the following communities:

- **Columbus:** 8 a.m.-1 p.m., Wednesday, Jan. 23, Health Mart Pharmacy located at 133 W. Fifth Ave. North.
- **Missoula:** 10 a.m.-3 p.m., Thursday, Jan. 24, Project Homeless Connect at First United Methodist Church located at 300 E. Main St.
- **Hamilton:** Thursday, Feb. 21, Valley View Estates, 225 N. Eighth Street, time to be announced.
- **Whitehall:** Saturday, April 20, location and time to be announced.

IPHARM also will travel to **Butte, Shelby, Pablo and Thompson Falls**. To host an IPHARM screening event in your community, call Zins at 406-243-2339 or email ipharm@umontana.edu.

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UM NEWS



January 15, 2013

MISSOULA –

Community members, parents and national-service volunteers will bring the message of Martin Luther King Jr., to elementary students in 13 cities around Montana as part of the third annual MLK Read For Peace project in the coming weeks.

MLK Read For Peace, sponsored by the Montana Campus Compact through the support of the Corporation of National and Community Service, places volunteers in kindergarten through third-grade classrooms to read students an age-appropriate book about the life and work of King. Students then complete an activity – a drawing or a poem – and the activities are displayed in a public forum.

The event, part of the national MLK Day of Service, allows students to contemplate the ideas of peace, equality and social justice, while engaging community leaders and partners in meaningful volunteerism. MLK Read For Peace is an event that helps teachers engage students in learning about this iconic leader of the American civil rights movement.

"More than sharing King's dream of equality through readings, MLK Read For Peace is about honoring King through volunteerism and modeling what it means to be civically engaged," said Brian Christianson, MTCC AmeriCorps VISTA program manager.

MLK Read For Peace was created in 2011 by Christianson and then-VISTA Bess Pallares and placed 25 volunteers in classrooms with more than 500 students at five Missoula public elementary schools. This year, the event expanded to include schools in **Kalispell, Browning, Havre, Polson, Ronan, Missoula, Helena, Great Falls, Butte, Bozeman, Livingston, Billings and Glendive**. Volunteers for the event include MTCC staff, AmeriCorps VISTA members, AmeriCorps Senior Corps members, parents and local elected officials including Montana Gov. Steve Bullock, Lt. Gov. John Walsh and Missoula Mayor John Engen.

To learn more about MLK Read For Peace events in your community, connect with a project coordinator near you:

- **Kalispell:** Kimbra Buerschaper, kbuerschaper@fvcc.edu
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The MTCC AmeriCorps VISTA Program, based at The University of Montana, connects campus resources with critical community needs. Members serve in community-based organizations, nonprofits and schools in partnership with 20 Montana college campuses to address local poverty issues such as education, healthy futures, veterans/military families and economic opportunity.

MTCC is Montana's largest higher education network, working to deepen the ability of colleges and universities to improve community life and educate students for civic and social responsibilities.

For more information call MTCC AmeriCorps VISTA Leader Amanda Opitz at 406-243-5451 or email vistaleader@mtcompact.org.

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UM NEWS



January 14, 2013

MISSOULA –

The 10.8 million people traveling to Montana are bound to produce an impact on Montana’s economy. Recently released figures from The University of Montana’s Institute for Tourism and Recreation Research found that nonresident travel spending directly or indirectly supported jobs in every industry sector in Montana (Table 1). Nineteen percent of the wholesale trade sector jobs, 10 percent of service sector jobs and 12 percent of retail jobs are supported by people who travel to Montana on vacation or business.

Preliminary 2012 estimates show a 5.7 percent increase from 2011 in travel-generated employment to exceed 41,000 jobs for Montana residents. The nonresident travel industry in Montana comprises 6.2 percent of the state’s total employment, making it the fifth largest employer, following just behind construction, which contributes 6.4 percent of total employment (Table 2).

“These numbers show that the large dollar amount of \$3.2 billion dropped in our state by nonresident visitors supplies many jobs beyond the typical travel job of hotels, restaurants, airlines and gas stations,” said Norma Nickerson, ITRR director. “In fact, 17 percent of Montana’s workforce has personal income that is partially or entirely due to travelers visiting our state. These are Montanan’s working in positions such as finance, construction, agriculture, information technology and more.”

“Since the travel industry is not one distinct industry, there are challenges in measuring its economic impact,” said Kara Grau, assistant director of economic analysis at ITRR. “But economic modeling software allows us to estimate the ripple effect of nonresident spending among all the industry sectors it supports.”

Nonresident spending also contributes to Montana’s tax revenue. In 2012, 8.1 percent of Montana’s state and local collections were produced by people from outside Montana, totaling \$294 million in tax contributions. Nonresident travelers contribute to the tax base through the payment of excise taxes on items such as gasoline and alcohol. They also support industries that pay corporate taxes and whose workers’ pay income, property and other taxes.

According to the U.S. Travel Association, tourist spending in Montana equals to \$3,192 for every person living in the state. This ranks Montana sixth in the nation for per capita spending by travelers (Table 3). Montana ranks 41st in the nation in terms of travel spending in the state.

For the full economic review, go to <http://www.itrr.umt.edu/ecorev/EconomicReview2012.pdf>. For more information, call Nickerson at 406-243-2328 or email norma.nickerson@umontana.edu.

Table 1: Employment Attributable to Nonresident Travel, 2011

Employment Sectors	Total Industry Employment (2011)	Nonresident Travel-Generated Employment (2011)	Nonresident Travel- Generated Employment as % of Sector Total
Wholesale trade	17,555	3,321	18.9%
Retail Trade	70,551	8,377	11.9%
Services	248,637	3,653	9.5%
Information	8,852	379	4.3%
Real Estate, Rental & Leasing	30,985	1,299	4.2%

Transportation & Warehousing	18,136	567	3.1%
Utilities	3,224	79	2.5%
Federal	13,878	256	1.8%
Finance & Insurance	25,628	406	1.6%
Manufacturing	20,411	221	1.1%
Construction	40,537	120	0.3%
Agriculture	29,321	56	0.2%
Forestry, Fishing & Hunting	6,777	9	0.1%
State & Local	74,137	84	0.1%
Mining	12,342	11	0.1%
Military	8,224	-	0.0%
Total	629,195	38,839 ¹	Travel jobs as % of total 6.2%

Sources: ITRR; U.S. Bureau of Economic Analysis.

¹ Nonresident travel employment figures are ITRR estimates based on expenditures. Travel is not an isolated industry since activity associated with travel is part of other sectors. ITRR has estimated the impacts of nonresident travel to various sectors and subtracted those impacts from the affected industries' employment figures to avoid double-counting.

Table 2: Employment Structure in Montana, 2011

Employment Sectors ²	Number of Jobs ¹	% of Total
Services	224,984	35.8%
State & Local	74,053	11.8%
Retail Trade	62,174	9.9%
Construction	40,417	6.4%
Nonresident travel	38,839	6.2%
Real Estate, Rental & Leasing	29,686	4.7%
Agriculture	29,265	4.7%

Finance & Insurance	25,222	4.0%
Manufacturing	20,190	3.2%
Transportation & Warehousing	17,569	2.8%
Wholesale trade	14,234	2.3%
Federal	13,622	2.2%
Mining	12,331	2.0%
Information	8,473	1.3%
Military	8,224	1.3%
Forestry, Fishing & Hunting	6,768	1.1%
Utilities	3,145	0.5%
Total	629,195	100.0%

Sources: ITRR; U.S. Bureau of Economic Analysis.

²Includes both full-time and part-time jobs.

Table 3: 2010/2008 Tourist Spending Per-Capita (Top 10 and Other Western States)

Rank	Rank	2008 Per Capita			2010 Per Capita	
2010	2008	State	2008 Population	Receipts (2009\$)	2010 Population	Receipts (2010\$)
1	2	Hawaii	1,295,178	\$12,236	1,360,301	\$11,324
2	1	Nevada	2,643,085	\$12,843	2,700,551	\$9,945
3	3	Wyoming	544,270	\$5,002	563,626	\$4,714
4	4	Florida	18,537,969	\$3,791	18,801,310	\$3,548
5	9	North Dakota	646,844	\$2,966	672,591	\$3,225
6	5	Montana	974,989	\$3,203	989,415	\$3,192

7	7	Vermont	621,760	\$3,027	625,741	\$3,043
8	12	South Dakota	812,383	\$2,821	814,180	\$2,879
9	6	Alaska	698,473	\$3,047	710,231	\$2,855
10	8	New Mexico	2,009,671	\$2,983	2,059,179	\$2,800
United States			307,006,550	\$2,507	308,745,538	\$2,421

Western State Comparison (not in Top 10 Ranking)

11		Colorado			5,029,196	\$2,755
13		California			37,253,956	\$2,566
20		Arizona			6,392,017	\$2,263
24		Utah			2,763,885	\$2,191
27		Idaho			1,567,582	\$2,255
30		Oregon			3,831,074	\$2,095
39		Washington			6,724,540	\$1,796

Sources: U.S. Travel Association; U.S. Census Bureau.

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UM NEWS



January 14, 2013

MISSOULA –

The Montana Museum of Art & Culture on The University of Montana campus will house two new exhibitions focused on textiles from Thursday, Jan. 24, to Saturday, April 20: “Nancy Erickson: Kindred Spirits” and “Follow That Thread: Fashion and Textiles from the Permanent Collection.”

The exhibitions will be displayed in the Meloy and Paxson galleries in the Performing Arts and Radio/Television Center. An opening reception for both exhibitions will be held from 5 to 7 p.m. Thursday, Jan. 31, in the PAR/TV Center lobby. The reception is open to the public.

Erickson’s artwork speaks to the dignity and integrity of wild creatures, whom she views as equal to humans. The exhibition features her pioneering large-scale, free-form textile compositions, which combine paint and stitched fabric. It highlights works that have been seldom or never seen, inspired by the cave art found at Chauvet Pont d’Arc and Lascaux in France. Erickson’s work resides in numerous public and private collections and has been featured in more than 500 exhibitions nationally.

“Follow That Thread” highlights period fashion trends every decade over the course of 100 years, from 1860 to 1960. The MMAC Textile Collection includes more than 1,800 objects such as vintage clothes, historic costumes and unique accessories.

Events related to the exhibitions include:

- **Wednesday, Feb. 6:** An evening with the Pattee Canyon Ladies Salon, including Erickson and artists Stephanie Frostad, Kristi Hager, Becki Johnson, Beth Lo, Leslie Van Stavern Millar, Shari Montana, Linda Tawney and Janet Whaley, 7 p.m., PAR/TV Center Montana Theatre.
- **Tuesday, Feb. 12:** “Kindred Spirits” Celebrity Artist Tour, UM School of Art Professor Mary Ann Bonjorni, 5:10-6 p.m., PAR/TV Center Meloy Gallery, early arrival is recommended as space is limited.
- **Saturday, Feb. 16:** Docent Tour, 12:10-12:50 p.m., PAR/TV Center Meloy and Paxson galleries.
- **Wednesday, Feb. 20:** Erickson will discuss her influences, inspiration and techniques during an artist’s talk at 7 p.m. in the PAR/TV Center Montana Theatre.
- **Tuesday, Feb. 26:** “Kindred Spirits” Celebrity Artist Tour, UM School of Art Assistant Professor Jennifer Combe, 5:10-6 p.m., PAR/TV Center Meloy Gallery, early arrival is recommended as space is limited.
- **Saturday, March 9:** Docent Tour, 12:10-12:50 p.m., PAR/TV Center Meloy and Paxson galleries.
- **Wednesday, March 13:** Docent Tour, 12:10-12:50 p.m., PAR/TV Center Meloy and Paxson galleries.
- **Thursday, March 14:** “Follow That Thread” Celebrity Artist Tour, UM School of Theater & Dance Associate Professor Laura Alvarez, 5:10-6 p.m., PAR/TV Center Paxson Gallery, early arrival is recommended as space is limited.
- **Saturday, March 16:** “Fabric of Life: Odyssey of the Stars,” a scholarship fundraiser featuring Erickson, 7:30 p.m., George and Jane Dennison Theatre.
- **Wednesday, March 27:** “The History of the MMAC Textile Collection” panel discussion, featuring Alvarez and UM Professor Emeritus Christine Milodragovich, 7 p.m., PAR/TV Center Masquer Theatre.
- **Wednesday, April 10:** Docent Tour, 12:10-12:50 p.m., PAR/TV Center Meloy and Paxson galleries.

“Kindred Spirits” is presented in conjunction with textile-related exhibitions across the UM campus, including works by Erica Spitzer Rasmussen and Maggy Rozycki Hiltner at the Gallery of Visual Arts in the Social Science Building.

The MMAC’s spring hours are Tuesday, Wednesday and Saturday from noon to 3 p.m., and Thursday and Friday from noon to 6 p.m. For more information call 406-243-2019 or visit <http://www.umt.edu/montanamuseum>.

NOTE TO MEDIA: Digital images of select items included in the exhibition are available upon request by calling 406-243-2019.

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UM NEWS



January 14, 2013

MISSOULA –

A groundbreaking partnership between The University of Montana and Missoula County Public Schools to transform the relationships among classrooms, schools, and student and teacher experiences from preschool to the doctorate level recently was awarded a grant from The Dennis and Phyllis Washington Foundation.

The two organizations were awarded \$730,000 to fund the first year of a three-year, \$1.6 million proposal entitled SHAPE P-20, “Schools and Higher Education Advancing Public Education Across the P-20 Spectrum.”

The aim of SHAPE P-20 is that all students will graduate from high school with the knowledge and skills required to thrive in the 21st century.

According to Washington Foundation Executive Director Mike Halligan, the grant follows previous support to MCPS to implement Graduation Matters Missoula.

“Given the professional facilities and resources available at the Phyllis J. Washington College of Education and Human Sciences and the innovative steps taken by the board and staff of MCPS to ensure success for all students, it made perfect sense to bring both parties together to take the 21st Century Schools initiative to the next level,” Halligan said.

During the next three years, the goal of the collaboration is to build a scalable model for schools and school districts that focuses on professional development of teachers, enhanced STEM education, language immersion for elementary and middle school students, full implementation of the International Baccalaureate Program and the development of skill-based academies such as the health sciences academy at Big Sky High School. STEM education is a transdisciplinary learning approach where students apply concepts of science, technology, engineering and mathematics to solve real-world problems.

“The approaches and parallel research between the University and the school system will help students achieve success through high school graduation and be better prepared for careers and college,” said Trent Atkins, chair of the UM Department of Curriculum and Instruction and a leader in coordinating the project. “The Washingtons have long been generous supporters of work in early childhood, K-12 education at local and state levels and at the University. This project builds upon those earlier gifts with a comprehensive approach that is groundbreaking.”

MCPS Board Chair Tony Rehbein agreed with Atkins. “The district’s support from the University in a wide array of activities has helped us move forward, and this new grant ensures we will have empirical results highlighting many desirable outcomes,” Atkins said. “Everything from specialized interventions in elementary school to increased interest in math and science to teachers’ growing proficiency in digital curriculum will benefit students at all levels.”

UM President Royce Engstrom praised the proposed program and the support for education. “We owe a huge debt of gratitude to Dennis and Phyllis Washington for their vision and generosity in supporting this exciting project,” he said.

“Our Phyllis J. Washington College of Education and Human Sciences graduate students, whose educational careers serve the state, nation and even international communities, will now have the opportunity to work on SHAPE P-20 programs where implementation and assessment are key skills,” Engstrom said. “Our students will leave with stronger research skills and more knowledge about programs that teachers, administrators, professors and entire communities can implement together for the benefit of children.”

For more information about the grant-funded partnership call Halligan at 406-523-1300.

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UM NEWS



January 10, 2013

MISSOULA –

Six lectures by five University of Montana faculty members will examine why Russia matters in this year's annual Community Lecture Series: "Russia on the Oval." The weekly lecture series, now in its 15th year, will begin Tuesday, Feb. 19.

Always entertaining and educational, this year's lineup focuses on how Russian history and culture have impacted the world, examining topics such as Russian literature, folklore and cinema, Soviet propaganda art and the question of identity in Russian history. Attendees will discover a broad spectrum of people and events that made Russia what it was and what it is today.

Lectures will be held from 7 to 8:30 p.m. each Tuesday, Feb. 19-March 26, in the University Center Theater. Each event will include a question-and-answer session. The schedule of lectures is:

- **Feb. 19:** "Between East and West: The Question of Identity in Russian History," UM Department of History Associate Professor Robert Greene.
- **Feb. 26:** "The Roots of Russian Folk Belief," UM Department of Modern and Classical Languages and Literatures Associate Professor Ona Renner-Fahey.
- **March 5:** "The Other Russian Revolution: How Russia Revolutionized the Arts," UM Department of Modern and Classical Languages and Literatures Assistant Professor Clint Walker.
- **March 12:** "Power in the Streets: Reconsidering the Bolshevik Revolution of 1917," UM Department of History Associate Professor Robert Greene.
- **March 19:** "Hands Held High: Soviet Propaganda Art," UM School of Arts Professor H. Rafael Chacon.
- **March 26:** "Educational System in Today's Russia: A View on the Role of Education in a Contemporary Society," UM Department of Mathematical Sciences Chair and Professor Leonid Kalachev.

Tickets cost \$20 for the complete lecture series for the general public, \$15 for UM Alumni Association dues-paying members, \$10 for students and \$5 at the door, if seats are available. They can be purchased online at <http://www.grizalum.com> or by calling the UM Office of Alumni Relations at 406-243-5211. Space is limited.

For more information call Jay Kettering, UM Alumni Association on-campus events coordinator, at 406-243-6439 or email jay.kettering@umontana.edu; or call Linda Gillison, UM professor and the lecture series facilitator, at 406-243-2719 or email linda.gillison@umontana.edu.

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UM NEWS



January 10, 2013

MISSOULA –

The Western Montana Area Health Education Center at The University of Montana invites area high school students to participate in a public service announcement contest for the chance to win a state-of-the-art Celestron Microscope with an LCD display for group viewing and a digital camera to save images. The student's school also will receive 100 prepared microscope slides.

The PSA's will be aired the week of April 1 in conjunction with National Public Health Week.

The contest is open to students in grades nine through 11 within a seven-county region, including Missoula, Ravalli, Mineral, Sanders, Lake, Flathead and Lincoln.

Through the contest, AHEC aims to encourage students to look at public-health careers as careers of interest through researching, developing and creating a 30- to 60-second public service announcement, in video format, that will demonstrate an understanding of the broad array of issues and topics covered in public health.

Students may choose from the following topics:

- Ensuring a safe, healthy home for your family,
- Providing a healthy environment for children at school,
- Protecting you while you're on the move,
- Empowering a healthy community.

Submissions can be mailed on a flash drive or dropped off at the AHEC office located in UM's Skaggs Building Room 173, Missoula, MT, 59812. The submission deadline is Tuesday, March 19. Mailed submissions must be postmarked by March 19, and received by AHEC no later than Friday, March 22.

Judges include AHEC staff, community members and local news-station staff. Students' video PSAs may not contain copyrighted material and will be judged on the following criteria:

- Demonstration of knowledge obtained about one of the three specified public health themes,
- Creativity,
- Professionalism/quality of video in terms of public use,
- Appropriate to be viewed by a public audience.

The Western Montana AHEC is a grant-funded program that was established in 2008. The Western Montana region includes seven counties, five of which are rural. The center focuses on workforce development, pipeline programs for K-12 students to generate interest in health care professions, and continuing education to fulfill their mission of connecting students to careers, professionals to communities and communities to better health.

For more information about Western Montana AHEC at UM, go to <http://www.wmtahec.org/>. For more information about the PSA contest, call AHEC Program Coordinator Anna Buckner at 406-243-5575 or email anna.buckner@mso.umt.edu.

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UM NEWS

January 09, 2013

MISSOULA –

The University of Montana has 985 students who are degree candidates for autumn semester 2012. The total includes 72 certificates, 142 associate degrees, seven education specialists, 544 bachelor’s degrees, 162 master’s degrees, two juris doctorates and 56 doctoral degrees. There were 67 candidates for double degrees. The Montana students listed below are UM degree candidates for autumn semester 2012.

To view the full list of graduates, visit <http://www.umt.edu/urelations/info/GraduatesAutumn2012.pdf>.

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NOTE: An “*” after the student’s name indicates the student is expected to complete degree requirements and graduate with honors by achieving a grade-point average of 3.4 or higher. A “***” after the student’s name indicates the student is expected to complete degree requirements and graduate with high honors by achieving a 3.7 GPA or higher. Official awarding of a degree and any official graduation with honors or graduation with high honors designation is not made until degree candidates have completed their final term of enrollment and have met all specific requirements.

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UM NEWS

January 09, 2013

MISSOULA –

Imagine a world where you carry your medical history and prescriptions with you on a credit card. Where your doctor calls you to make an appointment to get your high blood pressure checked. Or where you can pull up a website and learn what surgical procedures actually will cost and which hospitals have the lowest error rates.

Larry White, director of the Western Montana Area Health Education Center at The University of Montana, said this is where health care is going, and we're getting there fast. Changes in health care are all around us. Will Montana households, businesses and governments be ready for them?

White will discuss the latest health care developments at the 38th Annual Economic Outlook Seminar, "The Best Medicine: How Can Montanans Take Charge of Changes in Health Care?"

This half-day seminar and luncheon will highlight economic trends for local, state and national economies. UM Bureau of Business and Economic Research economists Patrick Barkey and Paul Polzin will present economic forecasts for each seminar city, and industry experts will provide the outlook for Montana's important sectors: nonresident travel, health care, agriculture, real estate, manufacturing and forest products. New in 2013, the seminar also will feature coverage of Montana's energy industry.

The seminar runs from 8 a.m. to 1 p.m. and will be held in nine Montana cities during January, February and March. Registration costs \$80, which includes a booklet, lunch and a one-year subscription to Montana Business Quarterly, BBER's award-winning business journal. Continuing education credits are available, and groups of five or more qualify for discounted registration.

The series begins in **Helena** on Tuesday, Jan. 29, at the Best Western Great Northern Hotel. Following is the schedule for other seminar cities:

- **Great Falls** – Wednesday, Jan. 30, Hilton Garden Inn
- **Missoula** – Friday, Feb. 1, Hilton Garden Inn
- **Billings** – Tuesday, Feb. 5, Crowne Plaza
- **Bozeman** – Wednesday, Feb. 6, Best Western GranTree
- **Butte** – Thursday, Feb. 7, La Quinta Inn
- **Kalispell** – Friday, Feb. 15, Hilton Garden Inn
- **Sidney** – Tuesday, March 12, USDA/ARS Northern Plains Agricultural Research Lab
- **Miles City** – Wednesday, March 13, Bureau of Land Management Field Office

The 2013 Montana Economic Outlook Seminars are sponsored by NorthWestern Energy, Benefis Health System, Pacific Steel and Recycling and Montana Health CO-OP.

For more information or to register for a seminar, visit BBER online at <http://www.bber.umt.edu> or call 406-243-5113.

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UM NEWS



January 09, 2013

MISSOULA –

University of Montana Associate Professor Tony Ward and Regents Professor Steve Running will participate as panelists in “Breathing in the Big Sky: Missoula Forum on Air Quality Issues” from 7 to 9 p.m. Thursday, Jan. 10, at the Missoula City Council Chambers.

The panel, presented by the American Lung Association, will focus on air-quality concerns facing the Missoula area, including topics such as wood-stove and vehicle emissions, wildfires and carbon pollution.

Ward works with UM’s Center for Environmental Health Sciences and Running is a professor of ecology in the College of Forestry and Conservation, as well as chair and director of the Numerical Terradynamic Simulation Group. The panel will be moderated by Mayor John Engen and other panelists include Missoula physicians Georgia Milan and Paul Smith, and air-quality specialist Sarah Coefield.

The event is free and the public is encouraged to attend. For more information call Kim Davitt, Montana Initiatives manager, at 406-728-0368 or email kdavitt@lungmtpacific.org.

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UM NEWS

January 09, 2013

MISSOULA –

At The University of Montana, 2,983 students made the autumn semester 2012 Dean's List. To qualify for the Dean's List, students must be undergraduates, earn a semester grade average of 3.50 or higher and receive grades of A or B in at least nine credits. No grades of C+, C, C-, D+, D, D-, F, NC or NCR are allowed.

See the full Dean's List online at <http://www.umt.edu/urelations/info/DeansListAutumn2012.pdf>.

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NOTE TO MEDIA: The UM students listed below made the autumn semester 2012 Dean's List. A "****" indicates a grade-point average of 4.0. An "***" indicates a GPA of greater than 3.5 but less than 4.0 was earned.

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UM NEWS

January 08, 2013

MISSOULA –

University of Montana Regents Professor Richard Bridges will explore some of the most exciting research under way at the UM Skaggs School of Pharmacy during the first installment of the 2013 Bringing the U to You Lecture Series in Great Falls.

Bridges, who teaches pharmacology and toxicology, will present “Biomedical Research and its Impact on Medical Advancements, Student Training and Economic Development” at 7 p.m. Thursday, Jan. 24, at Heritage Hall on the campus of Great Falls College Montana State University, located at 2100 16th Ave. S.

Tickets cost \$10 for the public, \$5 for students or \$25 for the entire series. They can be purchased at Kaufmans Menswear Centre or by calling 406-899-0277.

Now in its 11th year, the Bringing the U to You Lecture Series is a collaborative effort of the UM Alumni Association and the MSU Alumni Foundation. This year’s series features three lectures in addition to Bridges’:

- **Thursday, Feb. 7:** Susan Cohen, MSU associate professor of history and philosophy, “God, Gods and Goddesses: Archeology, Religion and the History of Divine Relationships.”
- **Thursday, Feb. 21:** Hunter Lloyd, MSU professor of robotics, “How to Train Your Robot.”
- **Thursday, March 7:** Owen Sirrs, UM culture and South Asia regional politics instructor at the Maureen and Mike Mansfield Center, “Afghanistan: Where Do We Go From Here?”

All lectures will be held at 7 p.m. in Heritage Hall. More information and complete lecture descriptions are available online at <http://www.grizalum.com>. Call Jodi Moreau, UM Office of Alumni Relations outreach coordinator and board liaison, at 406-243-6124 or email jodi.moreau@umontana.edu.

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January 07, 2013

MISSOULA –

Three students from The University of Montana's School of Journalism have been chosen to provide news coverage of the Montana Legislature's 2013 session for scores of newspapers and radio stations across the state. The session began Jan. 7.

Amy Sisk, a junior originally from Seattle, will provide coverage for interested newspapers across the state. The Montana Newspaper Association helps fund Sisk's coverage.

Keele Smith and Jonathon Ambarian, both seniors, will provide daily reports to nearly 50 Montana broadcasters. Their coverage is made possible by grants from the Greater Montana Foundation and the Montana Broadcasters Association.

The students' coverage also will be featured on Montana Public Media's website, <http://www.montanapublicmedia.org>, along with reports from Montana Public Radio, Yellowstone Public Radio and Montana PBS.

Ambarian, from Frazier Park, Calif., covered the recent state legislative elections for Montana Public Media. He has been involved with radio and television productions at the School of Journalism and most recently, contributed to the school's weekly television newscast, UM News. He also has worked as a videographer for the University's Department of Intercollegiate Athletics.

Smith, who hails from Roanoke, Va., was nominated in 2012 for the D.J. Schults Journalism Scholarship for outstanding performance and academic excellence in radio-television and has produced and anchored weekly newscasts for UM News. She also spent the past 18 months working at KPAX-TV, the CBS affiliate in Missoula, as a camera operator and reporter.

Sisk has covered a wide range of topics across the state for both Montana Journalism Review and the Montana Kairmin. She also has completed reporting internships for the Missoulian and the Redmond Reporter in Redmond, Wash. Most recently, Sisk worked for the U.S. Department of State in Washington, D.C.

The students' work this session will be supervised by UM Professor Dennis Swibold and Adjunct Professor Courtney Lowery Cowgill. The 2013 session marks the 11th time journalism students have covered Montana's regular biennial legislative sessions for newspapers and the fourth time they have provided coverage for radio stations.

Newspapers or radio stations interested in receiving the coverage are encouraged to call Cowgill at 406-531-4794 or email courtney.cowgill@umontana.edu.

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UM NEWS



January 07, 2013

MISSOULA –

University of Montana President Royce Engstrom has hired Peggy Kuhr as the University's vice president for integrated communications and Mario Schulzke as assistant vice president for marketing.

The two UM alumni will fill the top leadership posts in the reconfigured Office of Integrated Communications. Kuhr's official start date as vice president is Jan. 15, and Schulzke's appointment became effective Jan. 2.

"My vision for the Office of Integrated Communications included recruiting a respected professional with a passion for the University and a desire to increase the effectiveness of communications both on and off campus," Engstrom said. "The search process not only identified Peggy as the right person for the vice president for integrated communications but also led us to Mario, who impressed the search committee with his vision and energy to address UM's immediate and long-term marketing and digital media needs."

Schulzke's new administrative position will be funded by restructuring two vacant positions in UM's University Relations office.

"Even just one month ago, it had not occurred to me that I might be the best fit for the permanent vice president position," Kuhr said. "It was only when I stopped and thought through how many people from across campus and the community were asking me to apply that I truly considered it."

Kuhr is thrilled to have been selected from a highly competitive applicant pool to further serve her alma mater and truly make the new position her own.

"I recognize it is unusual to have someone serve as a search committee chair, resign from the post and apply for the vacancy," Kuhr said. "My mission had been to lead a committee that would deliver to President Engstrom a handful of candidates who would best fit the scope of this newly configured position. It wasn't until late in the process that I realized my qualifications would mirror the type of candidate the committee was charged with identifying."

UM conducted a national search for the vice president position, and Kuhr and Schulzke were two of five finalists who completed on-campus interviews. The vice president for integrated communications reports to the president and serves as a member of the president's cabinet.

Kuhr was appointed interim vice president in August 2012. Before this appointment, she served as dean of the School of Journalism beginning in August 2007. She had a 26-year career in newspapers before joining the University of Kansas in 2002 as Knight Chair on the Press, Leadership and Community.

Schulzke has extensive experience helping organizations and businesses define their marketing and digital strategies. His positions have included service as senior director of digital strategy for Los Angeles-based WDCW and founder of IdeaMensch, a digital publication with the mission of helping entrepreneurs bring their ideas to life.

"I couldn't be more excited to be back on campus for this opportunity," Schulzke said. "UM has so many positive stories and achievements to highlight, and I can't wait to start helping tell those stories via the Web, traditional and social media."

Full candidate resumes can be found at <http://tinyurl.com/atzrh59>. For more information about UM, visit <http://www.umt.edu>.

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UM NEWS



January 07, 2013

MISSOULA –

This spring, one undiscovered guitarist will get the chance to play on stage with legendary guitarist Eric Clapton, and University of Montana Entertainment Management students will help with the promotion to find that person.

UM students will be the first to announce via Facebook, Twitter and other social-media outlets the 2013 Play Crossroads contest, a global search for the next best undiscovered guitarist. The winner will have the chance to perform on stage April 12-13 at Eric Clapton's Crossroads Guitar Festival, which is sponsored by Chase and draws in thousands of fans from around the world to witness performances from musicians such as John Mayer, Sheryl Crow, Steve Winwood, ZZ Top and many more.

Ernie Ball, the legendary guitar string company, will be partnering with Guitar Center, Guitar World, <http://www.ultimate-guitar.com> and <http://www.reverbnation.com> to conduct the Play Crossroads contest, which kicked off Jan. 7.

UM Entertainment Management Director Scott Douglas will work with students to promote the Play Crossroads contest. Under Douglas' direction, students also will help publicize and promote Clapton's Crossroads Guitar Festival 2013, which is a benefit for Crossroads Centre Antigua, a chemical-dependency treatment center founded by Clapton.

The project opportunity was brought to the UM Entertainment Management program by Maria Brunner, a core instructor with the program.

Beginning Jan. 7, unsigned musicians are invited to enter the Play Crossroads contest for free at <http://www.playcrossroads.com> by completing a short informational profile and uploading one MP3. Entrants are encouraged to use the promotional toolkit provided on each band/artist profile, to promote their entry all over the Web and drive traffic to their profile.

The prize pack for the winning artist includes:

- performance slot on the stage of the 2013 Eric Clapton Crossroads Guitar Festival at Madison Square Garden,
- Ernie Ball string package and endorsement,
- Ernie Ball Music Man guitar endorsement, and
- Guitar Player magazine feature

For more information about the contest, go to <http://www.playcrossroads.com/>.

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January 07, 2013

MISSOULA –

The University of Montana will host a reception for prospective students and their parents at 6 p.m. Tuesday, Jan. 15, in the University Center Rooms 326-327.

Participants will have the opportunity to further explore academic and scholarship opportunities, learn about academic programs, and find out why many students from Montana and around the world chose to earn their degree at UM.

UM Enrollment Services staff will be available to meet with families and to answer questions.

A Financial Aid Night event will follow at 7 p.m. in the UC Theater. Hosted by UM Financial Aid Offices, families and students can learn about the Free Application for Federal Student Aid (FAFSA) process.

For more information or to RSVP, email Admissions Representative Devin Carpenter at devin.carpenter@mso.umt.edu.

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UM NEWS



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January 04, 2013

MISSOULA –

University of Montana Professor Janet Finn will discuss her new book, “Mining Childhood: Growing up in Butte, 1900-1960,” during the Fact & Fiction Book Club Luncheon from 11:45 a.m. to 1 p.m. Tuesday, Jan. 15, at the Holiday Inn Downtown.

Finn, a professor in the UM School of Social Work, combined years of research with oral histories to examine the life of children in Butte during the early 20th century and the decline of the city’s fame as the “Richest Hill on Earth.”

“Mining Childhood” offers a fresh perspective on Montana history. Finn will share many of the photographs and stories from the book that capture children’s experiences of school, play and work. People came to Butte in search of a better life for themselves and they stayed and struggled in order to build a better life for their sons and daughters. Children were Butte’s reason to be.

The Book Club Luncheon costs \$20 and reservations are required by Saturday, Jan. 12. “Mining Childhood” is available for \$24.95 at Fact & Fiction downtown and The Bookstore at UM, located in the University Center.

For more information or to purchase the book online, visit <http://www.factandfictionbooks.com/event/book-club-luncheon-1>.

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UM NEWS

January 04, 2013

MISSOULA –

The board of directors of The Bookstore at The University of Montana recently appointed Jon Aliri as the organization’s chief executive officer. Aliri has been with the Bookstore since 2003 and has served as its director of operations for the past 18 months. He began his duties as CEO on Jan. 1. Aliri’s appointment follows a national search during which the board reviewed numerous applications and held on-campus interviews for two candidates.

Aliri has been a part of the UM community since 2000. He earned both a master of arts in economics and an MBA from UM.

According to the Bookstore’s board, Aliri’s experience as a student and adjunct faculty member at UM and his 10 years of experience working for the Bookstore will serve him well as he leads the store during a time of change in the industry.

Together with the board, Aliri aims to support the intellectual, artistic and athletic pursuits of the UM and Missoula communities by providing the highest-quality goods and service possible.

The Bookstore at UM is a not-for-profit organization and has served the campus community since 1921. The Bookstore is governed by a board of directors that consists of UM students and faculty.

For more information about Aliri’s appointment, call Eamon Fahey, chief operating officer at the Bookstore, at 406-243-1241 or email efahey@montanabookstore.com.

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January 03, 2013

MISSOULA –

"Dispatches" has been released and can be found online at http://issuu.com/um_crown_gye/docs/dispatch.issue2.

"Dispatches" is a publication of The University of Montana Crown of the Continent Initiative and is an adjunct to UM's Crown of the Continent e-magazine. It is issued periodically throughout the year.

The current issue features "The Naturalist," an excerpt from a major piece on Morton J. Elrod that former UM President and Professor of History Emeritus George Dennison is writing on one of Montana's most eminent naturalist-educators.

Dennison served as UM president for 20 years – from 1990 to 2010 – the longest tenure for a UM president. Dennison also is a Senior Fellow in The O'Connor Center for the Rocky Mountain West at UM and senior adviser to the president at Colorado State University, Global Campus.

The 38-page e-publication is issue No. 2 in this special series produced through the Crown of the Continent Initiative publishing program and includes photographs, a biography on Elrod and source endnotes.

To receive other Crown of the Continent Initiative updates, email umcrown@umontana.edu. The Crown of the Continent website is at <http://crown.umt.edu>. Current and past issues of the e-magazine, e-notes and "Dispatches" are available in PDF format on the website under "E-publications."

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UM NEWS



January 02, 2013

MISSOULA –

University of Montana journalism student Jessica Murri of Boise, Idaho, recently won first place in the radio competition of the William Randolph Hearst College Journalism Awards Program. The Hearst Awards, often called the Pulitzer Prize of college journalism, honors students in writing, photojournalism, television, multimedia and radio. Murri's first-place finish qualifies her for the national championship, which will take place in San Francisco this June.

Murri submitted three stories for her award-winning radio entry, one on a river cleanup, a profile of a man living with a brain injury, and a sound profile on a dog-care facility. Murri produced the pieces for Montana Public Radio, KBGA College Radio and Boise Public Radio, where she interned last summer.

Murri says she was "shocked and honored" to learn of the first-place win. She says the \$2,600 prize came at a time when she was wondering how to pay tuition for her last semester of schooling at UM. She will be invited to San Francisco to participate in the championship where competitors are given a topic, cab fare and radio equipment to complete a story in one day.

The Hearst Journalism Awards Program was founded in 1960 to provide support, encouragement and assistance to journalism education at the university level. The program awards scholarships to students for outstanding performance in college-level journalism, with matching grants to the students' schools.

For more information on Murri's win or the UM School of Journalism program, call Interim Dean Denise Dowling at 406-243-4143 or email denise.dowling@umontana.edu.

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January 02, 2013

MISSOULA –

Michael Reid will join The University of Montana as the new vice president for administration and finance by April 1. Reid visited UM in mid-December for on-campus interviews and a public forum.

Reid currently is vice president for finance and administration at Angelo State University in Texas. He also served as the vice president for finance and administration from 2004 to 2011 at Mansfield University of Pennsylvania and from 2001 to 2004 at Pueblo Community College in Colorado.

"I've always had a professional desire and career goal to serve at The University of Montana," Reid said. "It's a special place, so I'm very excited to be given this opportunity."

He has held other financial positions at Southern Utah University, Dixie State College and Utah State University. He holds both a master's in business administration and bachelor's degree in finance from Utah State University.

"We are excited to have Michael joining our administrative team," UM President Royce Engstrom said. "He has the right skill set to manage the nearly \$400 million in budgets at our Missoula campuses, and he will work with the campuses in Butte, Dillon and Helena with their collective budgets of \$127 million."

Engstrom said the search committee, chaired by School of Business Administration Dean Larry Gianchetta, did an excellent job developing a strong national applicant pool and bringing three excellent finalists to campus for interviews.

The vice president for administration and finance oversees UM departments such as the Adams Center, Business Services, Facilities Services, Montana Island Lodge, Human Resource Services, the Office of Public Safety and the Office of Planning, Budget and Analysis. The vice president is responsible for all administrative and financial support activities within the University, as well as the campuses in Butte, Dillon and Helena.

For more information call Gianchetta at 406-243-6195.

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UM NEWS



January 03, 2013

MISSOULA –

Missoula College of The University of Montana will hold free college prep courses for qualified veterans through the Montana Veterans Upward Bound program.

Classes in basic computer skills, math and writing will take place Monday through Thursday, Feb. 4-March 18, at the Missoula College East Campus, located at 909 South Ave. W. in Missoula. Class start times range from 4 to 6 p.m. and end no later than 8 p.m.

Orientation will take place from 5 to 6 p.m. Thursday, Jan. 31, in the Dean's Conference Room. A graduation ceremony will be held Monday, March 18.

For more information or to enroll, call 877-356-VETS or go online to <http://www.vubmt.com>.

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